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President of Council Vanover called Council to order on February 19, 2020.

Presentation of the Springdale Police Color Guard

President Vanover: It is our privilege to have the Springdale Police Color Guard that will present the colors and then we'll do the Pledge (of Allegiance) and remain standing afterward for the invocation.

Upon presentation of the colors, the governmental body and those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. McNear provided the Invocation.

Mrs. McNear took roll call. Council members Anderson, Emerson, Ghantous, Hawkins, Ramirez, and Vanover were present.

President Vanover: Mrs. Sullivan-Wisecup advised me she would be out this evening.

The minutes of the February 5, 2020 meeting were considered. Mrs. Ghantous made a motion to accept the minutes; Mr. Hawkins seconded. The minutes of the February 5, 2020 meeting were approved with six affirmative votes.

Swearing-In Ceremony – Springdale Police Chief Thomas Wells

Mr. Jones: Thomas Wells graduated from Hamilton County Sheriff's Academy in 1988. He served one year as deputy sheriff in Clermont County, then he arrived in Springdale in 1990. He worked as a patrol officer until 1998, at which time, he was promoted to Sergeant. Just a year later, Tom was promoted again to Lieutenant. He subsequently established the Traffic Safety Unit. Tom was an original member of our Springdale Honor Guard. In 2002, he joined the Hamilton County Police Association Honor Guard unit. In 2009, Tom was selected to attend the 236th session of the FBI National Academy in Quantico. In 2011, Tom was promoted to Assistant Chief of the (Springdale Police) Department. Then, recently, Thomas Wells was promoted to the Chief of the Springdale Police Department. I want to congratulate Tom and his family and, at this time, I'll turn things over to Mayor Webster.

Mayor Webster: Thank you John. Just like to say a few words. It's been a fast thirty years hasn't it Tom? First off, I'd like to say, "Welcome" to all of you. It's nice to look out here and see all these friendly faces and it's also nice to see all this protection we've got, so, thank you very much for that. Seriously, this is a great event. We've done this selection process a couple of different ways since I've been the Mayor. Sometimes, we've gone outside, posted the job, and interviewed candidates and so forth, and so on. The last time we did that, we ended up selecting someone in house. This time, my cohorts here convinced me that we didn't need to do that, we've got some very capable people in-house, but they didn't really twist my arm, because I certainly agreed with them. So, we had, what we thought were four very capable individuals, but we did engage the services of an assessment center and so Tom and his three cohorts I think spent about six hours on a Saturday being interviewed by this group of police chiefs and so forth and so we found out, not to our surprise, but we found out that we had four very capable candidates. We were right at the outset. But, the most encouraging thing was that there was one candidate that stood head and shoulders above everybody else. That was one Mr. Thomas Wells and that's the one that was selected as the seventh police chief.

Chief Wells: Fifth.

Mayor Webster: Fifth. I'm sorry, our fifth Police Chief in the history of the City of Springdale and so it is with great pleasure that I would ask Tom to join me down front here and we'll administer the oath of office.

Mayor Webster administered the oath of office for Springdale Chief Thomas Wells. (Applause)

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Chief Wells: I've asked my wife, Laura, and my daughter, Maiana to do the honors of pinning the rank on. (Applause)

Chief Wells: Thank you all so very much. Just briefly I want to take a moment and say, "Thank you" to our excellent City government. I appreciate the 30 years, like the Mayor said 30 years has gone by in a blink. This has been the most tremendous place to work. I have always felt supported here and I felt like the Police Department was always supported. The citizens here, they love us. I think it's all about giving back and doing the right thing. I just want to thank you all so much, the City Administration, our elected officials. No matter who's been up here, I've always felt a tremendous amount of support here in this City and that's what's been great about working here. When I look out here (addressing the audience) tonight, I said this actually in 2011, it feels like I'm looking at a reflection of my whole life. I cannot thank you all enough for being here and sharing this moment with us and it's just overwhelming. If you don't mind me just taking a second. I just want to recognize, from back in the Police Explorer days, our 660 Police Explorer post when I first learned about this opportunity when I was in college. Galen and Vicki McKendry, there you are, our Post Advisors and my cohorts in crime from there have come down tonight. Members of the Liberty Township Fire Department, which I served on for a while in the late 1990's. I feel like a kid that's been able to do just an amazing amount of things. My railroad family here in the front row. Been tremendous love of my life, my passion. Even my buddy here in his Iron Maiden shirt, James, yeah! My favorite band. I thank you all so very much, but I wanted to say is tonight, and what I mean from the bottom of my heart, is that I've always felt, as I have said, tremendously supported. I think our (Police) Department has always been supported and what my commitment is to the Department here and to everybody that I know that works in Hamilton County that we all work together, is that I feel like I have an opportunity to work for you. To me, the most important thing of what we do is deliver great service to the citizens here and if our Department is happy, if I'm taking care of you, you'll take care of them. That's my commitment. I want to thank you so much, again, for being here to support me tonight. I truly appreciate it and will work my tail off to keep earning that trust and I'll return that same thing to all of you and say, "Thank you for this opportunity". I will certainly work every single day to keep the trust that I've earned and your trust in placing me in this position. Thank you so much. I really appreciate it. (Applause). Thank you.

Chief Wells: Okay, real quick. I probably better dismiss this. One thing I wanted to say too, was that we're having a reception down at the Police Department, so we would love to have everybody come down. Just come in the front entrance there. You can either come in the front door, or we also have a lower level if mobility is an issue, we're going to have a reception at the lower level of the P.D. To my brethren in the Honor Guard who I'm so tremendously honored for you being here, "Company dismissed".

Committee and Official Reports

Civil Service Commission

Mr. Coleman: I have a few items here. Primarily, involving updates for the hiring process. The first item involved the custodian position at the Police Department. Unfortunately, the candidate withdrew from the background check process. So, I don't know if the background checking was too stressful for him or what was going on with him, but he withdrew and, as a result, we're in a position where we have to re-post that position in order to come up with some additional candidates. The next item was on the firefighter position. We have three successful candidates who have undergone and are in the new hire orientation process and they'll begin work this month. Within the Police Department, just an update. We did the physical agility test on Saturday, February 1st, and there were 12 candidates that passed the physical agility test and 15 who failed. Five candidates failed to show up for the assessment. I don't know if they heard that it was a tough test or what was going on, but, again, for those 12 that passed, they're all outstanding candidates and we're happy to have those 12. The next step in their process is the CVSA interviews with Administration and that will occur sometime the first week of March. The maintenance worker position, the second candidate that we had identified, decided to stay at his current position, so, again, we're back in the mix of having to re-post that position in order to come up with candidates. Internally, we looked at a lateral transfer situation. It was proposed and agreed to that involved the Account Clerk I position in the Finance Department. What has occurred here is that this position

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Mr. Coleman (continued): processes the City payroll, so, in an effort to expedite that, that person resigned and what's going to occur is we're going to transfer the resident Account Clerk I in the Tax Department to the Finance Department. So, again, that will expedite everything and hopefully, it will make sure that everybody still gets their paychecks. As a result of that movement, it will create a vacancy there in the Tax Department and we're pretty certain that we have internal interest and it's always a good thing when you're able to fill positions internally, it gives good morale and good motivation for the workers as well. So, we have not yet concluded that, but, again, I think it's on the right track. With those two positions being looked at closely, again, we think we'll have everybody in place that needs to be in place. With that, that's all that I have. Thank you. Any questions?

President Vanover: I don't see any lights. Thank you Mr. Coleman.

Rules and Laws

Mrs. Emerson: Rules and Laws met this evening in the Administrative Conference Room at 6:00. Again, we continued to review the commercial vehicle parking on the streets. We currently are critiquing the current one we have, and, Mr. Braun is going to draw a rough draft for us, and, we'll have another meeting and then when we finalize that, we'll pass that out to Council to look at and approve. Thank you.

Finance Committee

Mr. Hawkins

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No report

Planning Commission

Mr. Ramirez: What started out to be a busy night, we had a couple of withdrawals, so it wasn't that extensive. We met on February 11th at 7:00 here in the chambers. All seven members were present. Under Old Business, we had the Paul Hemmer Company on behalf of Springdale Commerce Park. This was concerning Buildings two and three Revised Development Plan. That was one of the items that was removed, so that was not addressed. Under New Business, we had Las Islas Marias, which 370 Glensprings Drive in Springdale, better known as the old Beef O'Brady's, or Perkins restaurant. That was over signage. They did not ask for anything that was unreasonable. They actually had four signs and all of their signs will basically replace the signs that were from Beef O' Brady's, including the large oval sign that's out on Route 4. Side note on that, their intent to move this along quickly is they are looking at an opening before Lent because their restaurant is based on, it looked to me from the menu, all seafood. So, they thought that would be a very busy time of the year for them, so, their intent is to try to be open before around Easter time. These two other items that were both, one's a redundant of the one I just said; just a different representative. It was Kleingers on behalf on Springdale Commerce Park. That was moved to the announced date, which will most likely be March 10th. Finally, Cincinnati Commercial Contractors on behalf of Jake Sweeney. What they're looking for there is at 300 Tri County Parkway, that's the old Atrium hotel. They weren't quite ready for us, so that has also been moved to March 10th. Finally, our next meeting is March 10th, 2020 at 7:00 here in chambers. That's all I have. Thank you.

Board of Zoning Appeals

Mrs. Ghantous: Board of Zoning Appeals met on January 28th. Cincinnati Commercial Contracting, on behalf of Jake Sweeney Automotive came requesting a variance for 30 Tri County Parkway to reduce the parking stall sizes and drive aisles and to reduce the landscaping areas and plantings and that's the old Atrium Hotel site. When they were with us, they were in the process of purchasing the property, but it had not been finalized or closed yet. They want to remodel that building and use that as their corporate headquarters and also to store cars on a portion of the lot. The Board unanimously felt like the details presented were incomplete, so the applicant asked that the matter be tabled and will be back next month. That's all I have unless Jeff (Anderson) has anything to add.

Mr. Anderson: I would just add that next month, which ends up being next week, part of the contingency; they were also hoping to get through some of the Planning Commission stuff Mr. Ramirez mentioned. So, if they didn't finish that in their last meeting, that might make their next appearance before Board of Zoning Appeals difficult as well. So, we want to help them however we can, but, I think we're going to end up waiting on them again.

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Mr. Hawkins: This is for Mrs. Ghantous, Mr. Anderson, or Mr. Ramirez. With regard to remodeling the building, are they looking to raze any of it, or are they going to keep it intact as it is and just remodel the inside? If anyone knows.

Mr. Anderson: From the preliminary plans that we saw in BZA, there was a portion of the building that would be coming down that was going to be used, I think, for more of the parking on that lot. But, it was still tentative when we saw it. I don't know if Mr. Ramirez had other things come before Planning that was different.

Mr. Ramirez: That's exactly what I was going to say. We don't have any further information since they did not meet with us at the last meeting. So, more to come.

Mr. Hawkins: Thank you.

Mayor Webster: Well, I had sort of the same question about razing part of the building. I've heard all kinds of things. I've heard that they were going to tear down everything except the main tower, and they were going to convert that to strictly an office and move these corporate jobs in there. I guess the two wings that span out from it were both going to come down. Is there only one wing?

Mr. Anderson: From what I saw in the plan, and, I could go back and look, I think one of the wings was retained. The wing that was further up Northland, it was the one that was coming down, that's from where the parking was. Again, they said it was tentative; they didn't have final, but, I believe one of the wings was being retained for corporate offices.

Mayor Webster: I'm shocked that they don't own the property yet, because, they've been talking about buying the property for a year.

Mr. Anderson: If I could add to that. One of the things they mentioned in BZA, was, at least they implied that they were waiting to close until they got better resolution on Planning (Commission) and Board of Zoning Appeals because I believe they didn't want to hold the property if they weren't going to be able to use it the way they intended. That was based off of one comment that Mr. Sweeney, who was here, had mentioned. Obviously, I'm not party to those discussions, but, that was mentioned. That was the reason.

Board of Health

Mrs. Emerson: Board of Health met on February 13th at 7:00 p.m. All were present. For the Commissioner's Report; the Public Health Accreditation, it's a continuing waiting game right now. The site visit is scheduled for May 14th and 15th. We had turned in hundreds of documents to them for them to review and they returned those documents if they need any additional information and so far, none of those have been returned, so I think that's good news. The Medicaid Administrative Claiming for November 2019, the time study reimbursement to Springdale Health Department was \$5,938. The next time study starts on February 24th. The Produce Pop Up was held on January 24th, and, again, it helped or assisted about 200 families. The next one is scheduled for February 28th at 9:00 a.m. at the Heritage Hill Elementary. The Spring Sports Camp for Springdale is set for March 23rd through the 27th. It is free. It's at the Heritage Hill Elementary School and it's open for 1st to 5th grade students. Registration is from 8:30 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. With that, they get free breakfast and lunch is provided every day. That is supported by the Princeton City Schools, Humana, the City of Springdale, Kroger, the Walmart Foundation, Target, Dunkin Donuts, and Chick-fil-A. For the Nurse's Report, we had 12 doses of Narcan given in December. That was to treat three people and then for the January report, we had five doses and that treated two people. A lot in the news is going on about the Coronavirus, and Springdale Health Department has started working on precautions and protocols for that. The Ohio Department of Health passed out information that "local health districts that receive reports of confirmed or suspected cases shall immediately report such cases to the Ohio Department of Health pursuant to Ohio R.C. (Revised Code) 3701.23 and the Ohio Adm. (Administrative) Code 3701-3-06. The purpose of these requirements is to effectively control and suppress the spread of infectious agents..." Springdale also has put on social media and has provided to the schools how to clean and sanitize not only for the flu, but for this also. Springdale has also been in contact with the 911 Hamilton County Emergency Operators and had asked if, on any

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Mrs. Emerson (continued): of the calls that were respiratory distress, that those calls were screened for our first responders. Had they been to China in the past 14 days or had they been exposed to anybody who had been. That gives the first responders a little bit of a "heads up". Some of the first responders and part of the Springdale Health Department have also been fitted for respirator masks and those are the fitted masks. They're not like the ones you buy at the store, but they are specific to the individuals. The community continues to look out for the citizens and what we would do if the coronavirus did come here to the City. The Children's Health Fair is scheduled for May 1st. They had their first planning meeting in January and they're going to have a new learning center this year focusing on behavioral coping mechanisms. I believe that's all, unless there's questions.

Capital Improvements	Mrs. Emerson	-	No report
O-K-I	Mr. Anderson	-	No report
Mayor's Report	Mayor Webster	-	No report

Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Mrs. McNear: I have a couple of items this evening. First off, is the General Fund update through January 31, 2020. Our net receipts is \$22.359 million dollars. We have received \$1.866 million dollars, which is 8% of the budget. The receipts are made up of five major general sources of receipts and that is Earnings Tax, Real Estate Taxes, Paramedic Services, Local Government Funds, and Mayor's Court. That's 95% of the budget. Just wanted to make an extra note; last year, we had 78% at this same time, the biggest hitter there, of course is the earnings tax, through January of this year, we had \$1.590 million dollars versus last year it was \$1.244 million dollars, which, of course, is attributed to our increase. For General Fund Expenditures through January 31, 2020, based on a Net Expenditure budget of \$20.17 million dollars, we have spent \$1.663 million dollars, which is 9% of the budget. Our General Fund balance as of January 31, was \$2.477 million dollars. Next up, I just wanted to share that since we're in the midst of tax season, there will be some extended hours as usual. Those will be on Saturday, April 11th from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., Monday, April 13th until 7:00 p.m., and Tuesday, April 14th until 7:00 p.m. Also, this favorite reminder to all of the elected officials to keep in mind that your annual report is due to the Ohio Ethics Commission. Don't be late because they will certainly charge you for it. I will continue to remind you at least once a month until the due date. That concludes my report.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Jones: Want to again congratulate our new Chief, Tom Wells. We know you'll do a great job for us and we are pleased with that selection. Also, want to thank the Honor Guard for participating. It's always great to have them in attendance. I've been asked to let you know that the Records Commission Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 4th at 6:30 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room. Our new Chief provided me a little information on speed summary. On those reports, on Dimmick from January 4th, through January 13th, speed limit is 25 mph; 85 percentile was 25.56. The lowest speed was down at 7 mph and the highest was at 35 (mph). Also, on Kenn Road, from January 3rd, through January 15, again, speed limit 25 mph, average speed was 26 mph in the 85 percentile. The total volume of cars was provided in that particular on Kenn Road and that was in the amount of 13,386 cars. That is it this evening. Thank you.

Law Director's Report

Mr. Braun: Nothing particular to report other than to say I've been very busy on a variety of matters; all of which will be the subject of future Council action in the near future.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Shvegza: On Landan Lane Reconstruction, we did have the bid opening on February 4th and legislation is before Council to award the contract to Fred A. Nemann Company in the amount of \$292,308.50. The contract completion date is September 4th of this year. Beacon Hills Subdivision Street Grind and Resurfacing, the bid opening took place on January 24th. Legislation is before Council to award the contract to the John R. Jurgensen Company in the amount of \$649,341. Contract completion date is July 10th,

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Mr. Shvegza (continued): 2020. On East Crescentville Road Improvements, ODOT (Ohio Department of Transportation) has approved the revised speed limit. New speed limit signs have been placed and public involvement letters will be going out to the residents and property owners shortly just informing them of the project and seeking any comments that they may have. That concludes my report.

Communications - None

Communications from the Audience - None

Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance No. 07-2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FRED A. NEMANN CO. FOR THE LANDAN LANE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Mayor Webster: I think we want an emergency clause on this. It's a contract. I think the bids will expire before the next meeting. Also, Section 4, that should say, "ordinance", not "resolution". So we would respectfully request Council add an emergency clause.

Mr. Anderson: I'm comfortable with that; I can make that amendment. I just want to make sure it's clear. You do think that we need to do an emergency clause in order to maintain the contract. We believe that's true? We do need an emergency clause to get the contract?

Mayor Webster: I don't know. I'd have to go back and look back at the bids, but, this is a project that's been talked about for several years. This is no surprise it's come before Council tonight. The bid results have been shared with Council and so I think it's a natural that it should have an emergency clause on it there. Well, we've got the same thing with (Ordinance No.) 8. We don't have the emergency clause on there. There should have been an emergency clause on those.

Mr. Hawkins: I just noted, Mayor, our Internal Memorandums for both of those items indicated that they were going to have an emergency clause, so that's what we are prepared to deal with tonight. I have no problem with adding an emergency clause to both of those ordinances.

Mr. Braun: If you want to do that, what we would need to do for each ordinance is we can amend the title to add "and declaring an emergency" and we can add a "Section 4" that will also require to be renumbered to indicate that this is being passed as an emergency in such that the work can be performed immediately.

Mr. Anderson: I would like to propose an amendment to the ordinance amending the title to add the emergency clause and then to add a Section 4 both to remove the word "resolution" replaced with "ordinance", and add the language necessary to indicate that it was passed as an emergency.

Mr. Hawkins: Second.

Mayor Webster: I looked up the bid date. It was the 4th of February, so we don't meet again until the 4th of March.

Amendment to the title to add the emergency clause, remove the word "resolution", replace with "ordinance", and add Section 4 to include the language necessary to indicate that it was passed as an emergency was passed with six affirmative votes.

Mrs. Emerson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 07-2020; Mrs. Ghantous seconded.

Ordinance No. 07-2020 passes with six affirmative votes.

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Mrs. McNear: Mr. Braun, just a quick question about Section 4. It reads, "this ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law". Would that still not be correct since it's an emergency?

Mr. Braun: That stays the same.

Mrs. McNear: Okay. Perfect. Thank you.

President Vanover: Council, next up, we have Ordinance No. 08-2020. This too, in the packet was referenced to have an emergency clause. So we will want to deal with that first.

Mr. Braun: I would just point out we need the same language with the same amendment and then we can pass it.

Ordinance No. 08-2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE JOHN R. JURGENSEN CO. FOR THE BEACON HILLS SUBDIVISION STREET GRIND AND RESURFACE PROJECT

Mayor Webster: This one was bid on January 24th. We don't have any choice on this one.

Mr. Anderson: I'd like to make a motion to amend the title to include the emergency clause and to amend Section 4 to include the emergency law passage language.

Mrs. Emerson: Second.

Amendment to Ordinance No. 08-2020 to include the emergency clause and to amend Section 4 to include the emergency law passage language passes with six affirmative votes.

Mr. Anderson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 08-2020; Mr. Hawkins seconded.

Ordinance No. 08-2020 passes with six affirmative votes.

Ordinance No. 09-2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OHIO LABOR COUNCIL FOR THE FULL-TIME SERGEANTS AND LIEUTENANTS IN THE SPRINGDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

President Vanover: Council this is the first reading.

Mr. Jones: We also need on this to add the emergency clause. Our apologies.

Mr. Anderson: The need for the emergency clause is to execute a contract. Is that the need? I'd like to make a motion to amend Ordinance No. 09-2020 to include the emergency clause in the title and to amend Section 3 to include the emergency clause language as the need to execute contract at its earliest possible date.

Mr. Hawkins: Second.

Motion to amend Ordinance No. 09-2020 to include the emergency clause in the title and to amend Section 3 to include the emergency clause language as the need to execute contract at its earliest possible date passes with six affirmative votes.

Mr. Anderson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 09-2020; Mrs. Emerson seconded.

Ordinance No. 09-2020 passes with six affirmative votes.

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Resolution No. R04-2020

A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPOINTMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF SPRINGDALE, OHIO TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DEER PARK, LOVELAND, SHARONVILLE, SYCAMORE TOWNSHIP, SYMMES TOWNSHIP ENERGY SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, INC.

President Vanover: First thing, we need a volunteer.

Mayor Webster: I wasn't aware that I had to appoint someone to this board until I just read this. I would respectfully request that this be put off until the next meeting. You guys (Council) need to do the same thing. You have to appoint someone. I don't know if you guys are prepared to do that. I'm not prepared to it tonight.

Mrs. Zimmerlin: This position was actually filled by Christine Russell and the Mayor had appointed the Economic Development Director to that so, by virtue of Andy (Kuchta's) position, he's already in that position, so this would be whether or not Council wants to appoint Andy as your appointee as well. That's what this is doing is just filling that spot.

Mr. Hawkins: So, to be clear, previously, Mrs. Russell was serving in both positions.

Mrs. Zimmerlin: Yes.

Mr. Hawkins: I'm personally am fine with doing the same thing unless somebody else wants to wait and revisit this.

Mrs. Emerson: Second. Agreed

Mrs. Ghantous: Agreed

President Vanover: Agree? Okay, the motion to add...

Mr. Ramirez: Yes, I would like to nominate Andy (Kuchta) for that position. For both positions actually.

Mr. Braun: Are we voting on (Resolution) 04-2020, or are we just voting on a motion?

President Vanover: The motion to add.

Mr. Braun: Okay, I just wanted to be clear.

Motion to amend Resolution R04-2020 to add Andy Kuchta to the Board of Directors to ESID passes with six affirmative votes.

Mr. Anderson made a motion to adopt Resolution No. R04-2020; Mrs. Emerson seconded.

Resolution No. R04-2020 passes with six affirmative votes.

Old Business

Mr. Anderson: I have one item. At the last meeting, we had some discussion about the Public Relations Committee meeting. One of the takeaways from that; this is for the Welcome Packets; the welcome discussion that Council wanted to do to greet new residents. One of the takeaways was a request to "divvy up" the territory. So, I've got that today. I can share that and if we're okay, then we can continue to move forward. If you could pass those down (Mr. Anderson shared papers with Council). It's just one page. What I did is I took our existing district map, which is available on the Springdale site; that breaks up the districts into four different political subdivisions recognizing that people would tend to want to be in the areas that they are in and that we also have three "at-large". What I did, was I looked at the general residential areas that included in those districts the general population and what I found was actually really helpful going through it, was another map that Springdale publishes from the

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Mr. Anderson (continued): Public Works Department. It's actually the City of Springdale Residential Curbside Trash and Recycling Collection Route. Which also breaks up our City and shows hot spots of the residential locations. So, this shows where most of the residences that we would end up walking or meeting people at would be at. So, I combined those two to sort of divide the territory up and ended up with this document that you have that kind of breaks up those divisions. It's broken up into seven regions. Then, what I propose is that the District 1 Representative, that's me, would be responsible actually for Oxford Hills and Beacon Hills and Kenn Road to Fairfield. From Fairfield all the way to where 275 comes across. District 2 Representative, this would be Holly (Emerson), this would be the lower part of that territory, so, I split part of District 1 and Part of District 2 and made that one of the "at-large" locations. I assume that would be Mr. Ramirez's responsibility initially. So, this is the Glensprings Drive stretch. Then, all the way through, I think that's Cloverdale; both sides of Cloverdale. Everything south of that would be District 2. The rest of District 2 for Mrs. Emerson. So, that's 1, 2, and one of the "at-large". District 3, so, this is largely the portion by the Rec Center and that, I assume, would be Mrs. Sullivan-Wisecup's area of responsibility. That is listed as the District 3 Representative. I might have those numbers backwards. District 4, this is Heritage Hill. I believe this is Mr. Vanover's neck of the woods. So, you'll notice the "at-large" area for number 6, which is the second "at-large" area, includes all the Ray Norrish, all that space up there and then, also the condos if those were to be in place, that was a great way to divide kind of the population of District 4 because it's so spread out, so, it keeps Mr. Vanover in the Heritage Hill area and then the "at-large" person with Ray Norrish and then the condos if those came up. Then, it's about the same number of residences too. Then, the last "at-large" is also listed at the bottom there, that's the Cameron Road area, the Vista Glen area, golf course area. I would assume that would be Mr. Hawkins' area of responsibility, at least initially. I wasn't sure, in that section in the middle between (District) 2, 3, and 7, there's a few houses. I tried to make it clean for where the street division is so there aren't people "jockeying". That's the general break up. It works out pretty cleanly for residences. I don't think that we need to get litigious. If it turns out to be wrong, if you want to pass things off, the idea is if you're getting overwhelmed in one area and not, just send a note out and somebody else can do it. I did note with Mrs. Emerson's, that it does include all of the new development there which is why I shrunk, I took all the way to Cameron, what I had for Mr. Ramirez because I thought you would be busy with those new residents, while still keeping the territory kind of maintained without doing little "jetties". So, I hope that's okay. Take a look at it. If you're comfortable; if you have questions, I can answer them now, or we could just start using it.

Mr. Ramirez: Just to be clear, our intent here. We'll still mail out these pieces and follow it up with a face-to-face visit with these folks and where will we gather this information so we'll know when one pops up in our area?

Mr. Anderson: I'll turn it over to Mrs. Ghantous. I believe the intent was yes, they will still get the mailings from the City. We'll get a report from the Public Relations Committee, Mrs. Ghantous will be pulling those and she would use this map and send you an address and a name and you would, at your convenience, find a time to stop by, once or twice, and welcome the new resident. Do I have that right?

Mrs. Ghantous: That's what I envisioned. I thought I could do it the 15th and the 30th or the 15th and the 1st of every month. If that's okay with everybody.

Mr. Ramirez: More than one visit if someone's not home. How many times do you think we should show up at their door front and if we're not catching anyone home?

Mrs. Ghantous: I figured I would, this is just my personal idea, I would try three times and leave something, a post it note or something saying, "Sorry I missed you". Then, on the third visit, if they're not there, leave the publication maybe with a note attached to it.

Mr. Anderson: There's nothing that says you have to go by yourself either. There's nothing that says that you have to keep it. If you're busy, or you're out of town, feel free to use other people is the idea to follow up. This is just claiming who should have the responsibility for it. But, there's nothing that says you have to go by yourself either, not necessarily just with a person from Council. I know my wife had volunteered to go with me a

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Mr. Anderson (continued): few times, because I scare easily in the public, so she'll hold my hand and take me through that, but that's the idea. If anyone doesn't want to do it; it's not a requirement; it's not in our policies that you have to do this, this is just the way to divide it up. Feel free to pass those along if you're not comfortable or don't want to do it. We don't want to put anyone on the spot.

Mrs. Ghantous: I agree with that. I had the feeling everybody was okay with it, but, if you're not, just let us know.

Mrs. Emerson: Mrs. Ghantous, where are we going to get the pamphlets and the literature from to drop off?

Mrs. Ghantous: We're giving another job to Andy (Kuchta).

Mr. Kuchta: They're in my office. I'll show everybody where that is.

Mrs. Emerson: Okay. Awesome. Thank you.

President Vanover: I guess this wouldn't necessarily be Old Business, but it kind of is. I talked with Mr. Jones earlier today. Friday, the Fire Department was in the neighborhood servicing a fireplug and they went to open it and low, and behold, we had had a water main leak down there and (Greater Cincinnati) Water Works had shut it off and now they had a four inch line frozen underground and they had to basically open it up and let it thaw itself out. I got to thinking; if we had had a fire, the next plug up from there is out of commission. It was hit by an automobile during an accident. So, suddenly you're scrambling. And, the other factor that I hadn't thought about, but, in talking to the guys on the truck, those lines are holding 100 pounds of pressure and a four inch chunk of ice breaks free and comes rocketing out of there, it will do serious damage. So, if you happen to see Cincinnati Water Works out working, just make a courtesy call to Mr. Jones so we can stay on top of them, because, evidently, this is not an infrequent happening. That sometimes tends to run between governmental bodies and they take possession of stuff and they don't like to talk to the neighbors. So, I would just throw out, if you happen see them working in the area, make a phone call or send Mr. Jones a note so that we can follow up and make sure, especially in the dead of winter, that if that line was shut down, we can deal with it. Because, like I said, I'd hate to think that, at some point, that frozen line would have been necessary to fight a fire and it would have been out of commission.

New Business

Mr. Ramirez: I have a question about Macy's and the moving of the people out of downtown Macy's and I hear on the news that they're going to transition a lot of those folks up to the Springdale location and maybe Andy (Kuchta) can fill us in if we can anticipate more income from the Macy's folks.

Mr. Kuchta: The answer is yes. We can anticipate about 470 to 490 additional jobs coming up from Cincinnati. Those are going to be corporate jobs in a variety of positions. The call center jobs are going to be going to the City of Mason, so, I think we're getting the better end of that deal. We don't know the specific timeframe yet. We're actually trying to get a meeting set up right now with some folks from Macy's and folks from the building owner representation to discuss the timing because there's going to be some traffic congestion that's already there, it's just going to get worse. So, we're trying to get proactive and work with them on planning where the folks are going to be located. If there's options to maybe move some parking, move some shifts, take a look at some road realignment, so, we will have a better idea of the timing of the move and when those people are going to be here, hopefully, within the next two to four weeks.

Mr. Ramirez: That's good news. How about capacity? Current location, Avon facility, will that be able to handle this influx?

Mr. Kuchta: Yes and it will be close to being filled up though at that point.

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Mr. Ramirez: Good. Very good.

Mr. Kuchta: Which is a good problem to have.

Mrs. Ghantous: That's great.

Mayor Webster: The space that's going to be left, is between GE and Macy's. They have it all under option as a right of first refusal, so there's no one uncommitted space over there at this point.

Meetings and Announcements

Mr. Anderson: The Firefighters Volunteer Dependent Fund Group will be meeting on Friday, at 11:00 a.m. in the Council meeting room.

Mrs. Emerson: Board of Health will meet on March 12th at 7:00 in the conference room adjacent to here.

Mrs. Ghantous: Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on the 25th and it will be in the chambers here.

Mr. Hawkins: In SYB (Springdale Youth Boosters), Video Horse Racing will be February 29th at 7:00 p.m. I believe.

Mr. Ramirez: The next Planning Commission meeting will be on March 10th, 2020 in this facility.

Communications from the Audience - None

Update on legislation still in development

Mr. Hawkins: As you review your Internal Memorandum, Item Number I was addressed with Ordinance No. 07-2020; an Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement with Fred A. Nemann Co. for the Landan Lane Reconstruction Project and Declaring an Emergency; that passed with a 6-0 vote. Item Number II was addressed with Ordinance No. 08-2020; an Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement with the John R. Jurgensen Co. for the Beacon Hills Subdivision Streets Grind and Resurface Project and Declaring an Emergency; that passed with a 6-0 vote. Item Number III was addressed with Ordinance No. 09-2020; an Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk of Council/Finance Director to Enter Into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc. for the Supervisors' Bargaining Unit and Declaring an Emergency; that passed with a 6-0 vote. Item Number IV was addressed with Resolution No. R04-2020; a Resolution Making an Appointment on Behalf of the City Council of Springdale, Ohio to the Board of Directors of the Deer Park, Loveland, Sharonville, Sycamore Township, Symmes Township Energy Special Improvement District, Inc.; that passed with a 6-0 vote. All other matters were forthcoming.

Recap of legislative items requested for next Council meeting

Mr. Hawkins: There's a request for a Resolution Authorizing the City of Springdale's Participation in Financing Public Improvements in Cooperation with the Port Authority and Authorizing the Execution of Documents to Effectuate Such Financing, and Declaring an Emergency. There's also a request for an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Springdale and that concludes the requests for the next meeting unless Council or the Administration has anything else to add.

Mr. Hawkins: I just wanted to clarify, is this Mrs. Zimmerlin's last meeting with us?

Mrs. Zimmerlin: It is.

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Mr. Hawkins: So, I just wanted to say we appreciate your time here. You've always been conscientious and professional. While I know you're excited to be working closer to home, you will be missed.

Mrs. Zimmerlin: Thank you.

Adjournment

Mr. Hawkins made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Anderson seconded the motion and Council adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McNear
Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Minutes Approved
Tom Vanover, President of Council

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